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NEW YORK FIELD CROP VALUE INCREASES

The value of production of New York's principal field crops during 2010 totaled \$1.01 billion, up 19 percent from 2009, according to King Whetstone, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office.

Grain corn production was valued at \$460 million, up 44 percent from 2009. Price per bushel averaged \$5.20 compared with \$4.02 a year earlier. An 11 percent increase in production along with higher prices resulted in the large increase in the value of the crop.

Oat production was valued at \$7.97 million, down 10 percent from 2009. The decrease was a result of less acreage harvested and lower yields. The season average price of \$2.05 per bushel was up 13 cents from 2009.

Winter wheat was valued at \$40.5 million, up 23 percent from a year ago. The price of wheat averaged \$6.05 per bushel compared with \$4.84 in 2009. This price increase offset lower production. Yields increased 2 bushels from 2009 but acreage was down 5,000 acres.

Barley production was valued at \$1.71 million, down 8 percent from the 2009 value. Production increased by 4 percent but prices decreased to \$3.10 per bushel from \$3.50 a year earlier.

The value of the 2010 soybean crop was set at \$147 million, up 48 percent from the previous year. Production was up 23 percent and price increased \$1.90 to \$11.00 per bushel.

Alfalfa dry hay production was valued at \$110 million, down 4 percent from the 2009. The value per ton for 2010 crop hay was \$125.00 compared with \$143.00 in 2009.

Dry beans were valued at \$7.81 million, up 16 percent from the 2009 value of \$6.76 million. The increase was the result of a 46 percent increase in production. Price per hundredweight (cwt.) averaged \$27.70 compared with \$35.00 a year ago.

The value of potatoes, at \$69.1 million, was up 9 percent from 2009. Prices averaged \$13.50 per cwt. compared with \$12.80 a year earlier. Production was up 3 percent from 2009 due to higher yields.

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